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New Literature

The most important books listed in these columns will receive notice in the book-review pages.

OLD TESTAMENT

BOOKS

DRIVER, S. R. An Introduction to the Literature of the Old Testament. New ed. New York: Scribners, 1910. Pp. xxxvi+577. $2.50.

After eighteen years of increasing favor, this standard introduction goes into its eighth edition. The changes made are not of a radical character; the substance of the book remains unchanged. The new material is chiefly in the addition of the more recent book-titles and in brief notices of the leading discoveries and new views propounded since the last edition.

SABISTON, M. The Biblical Account of the Creation Shown to Be in Accordance with the Discoveries of Modern Science. New York: Knickerbocker Press, 1909. Pp. ix+262.

The biblical interpretation in this volume is preposterous and the science is falsely so called. The book is of the stuff of which dreams are made.

JOYCE, G. C. The Inspiration of Prophecy. An Essay in the Psychology of Revelation. New York: Henry Frowde, 1910. Pp. 195. $1.40.

The author declares prophecy to be psychologically inexplicable apart from some action of the supernatural. From this point of view, the subject is well worked out.

PUUKKO, A. F. Das Deuteronomium: Eine literarkritische Untersuchung. [Beiträge zur Wissenschaft vom Alten Testament, herausgegeben von R. Kittel. Heft 5.] Leipzig: Hinrichs, 1910. Pp. viii+303. No. 6.

A detailed study of the relation of Deuteronomy to the reform under Josiah and of the origin of the materials contained in the book as it now stands. As a result of his investigations, the author reconstructs the original Deuteronomy as he supposes it to have lain before Josiah. All students of Deuteronomy must reckon with this work.

NEW TESTAMENT

BOOKS

CHAMBERLIN, GEORGIA L., AND KERN, MARY ROOT. Walks with Jesus in His Home Country. ("Child Religion in Song and Story," Vol. II.) Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1909. Pp. xviii+256. $1.38.

These carefully arranged studies and exercises for little children are accompanied with songs and are admirably adapted to the uses of primary classes in Sunday schools.

THOMPSON, R. E. The Apostles as Everyday Men. Philadelphia: Sunday School Times Co., 1910. Pp. 70. 50 cents.

Under this curious title are grouped eight short popular articles. The treatment of the apostles in pairs leads to some artificiality and the discussions are not always critically based, e.g., on the patristic side. But these are readable sketches, and may lead some to a further interest in the Twelve.

GOWAN, H. H. An Analytical Transcription of the Revelation of St. John the Divine. With Introduction, Brief Commentary, and a Dictionary of Apocalypse. London: Skeffington, 1910. Pp. xiii+267.

Much learning, labor, and imagination have entered into this study of the Apocalypse. One would have wished a fuller introduction, and a more precise discrimina-

tion of the permanent from the merely formal elements of the book. But the arrangement is helpful and the notes suggestive.

HARRIS J. RENDEL. The Odes and Psalms of Solomon, Now First Published from the Syriac Version. Cambridge: University Press, 1909. Pp. 154+54.

The Psalms of Solomon are already well known in their Greek form; but the Odes of Solomon are now published for the first time. Professor Harris assigns them to the first Christian century, and accompanies them with translations and notes. This important work will be fully reviewed later.

RELATED SUBJECTS

BOOKS

PALMER, F. The Winning of Immortality. New York: Crowell, 1910. Pp. xvii+235. $1.

A popular presentation of the theory of conditional immortality.

DEALEY, J. Q. Ethical and Religious Significance of the State.

HENDERSON, C. R. A Reasonable Social Policy for Christian People.

BATTEN, S. Z. A Working Temperance Program.

The three preceding titles pertain to as many pamphlets forming parts of a "Social Service Series" published by the American Baptist Publication Society in Philadelphia. They are admirably conceived and will render effective service in awakening the social consciousness of the church.

STELZLE, C. The Church and Labor. [Modern Religious Problems.] Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co., 1910. Pp. 95. 50 cents.

A stimulating and encouraging survey of a great problem by a well-informed writer.

Letters to His Holiness, Pope Pius X, by a Modernist. Chicago: Open Court Publishing Co., 1910. Pp. 300. $1.25.

An attack upon the Roman hierarchy by an American priest, whose purpose is to arouse the Catholics of America to the iniquities of the official organization. The criticisms are trenchant and severe, and should arouse an earnest and intelligent discussion in church circles.

SCHAFF, DAVID S. The Middle Ages, from Boniface VIII (1294) to the Protestant Reformation (1517). [History of the Christian Church by Philip Schaff, Vol. V, Part 2.] New York: Scribners, 1910. Pp. xi+796. $3.25.

This volume completes the great "History of the Christian Church" designed by Dr. Philip Schaff and carried so far toward completion in his own life-time. The period covered by this volume is one of intense interest in that it prepared the way for the great Protestant Reformation and itself culminated in the Renaissance. Dr. Schaff gives us a vivid picture of the period and has thus rendered a great service to all students of the history of the church.